

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF LONDON.

FELLOW TOWNSMEN—

Since I left our peaceful and happy home, four weeks ago, important events have taken place. The heart of our flourishing Town has, in the dispensations of Providence, by a direful calamity been reduced to a desolate waste! I cannot attempt to express my feelings, on my return last evening, to find that fine range of buildings which I so lately left the scene of rich commercial enterprise and apparent contentment, activity and gayety, now reduced to a cold and dreary ruin!

The Legislature has been dissolved, and you are again called upon to select a person whom to repose the highest trust of honor which can be bestowed by the *free and independent* Electors of a Town. Upon your choice, on such an occasion, will, in a great measure, depend the reputation of our Town; and which, I am proud to say, has heretofore stood high and independent as any other in the Province. That important trust, at the last Election you confidently reposed in me—and as you have so kindly and cheerfully shown the continuance of that confidence by bringing my name forward during my absence—I hasten now to return my most sincere thanks, and to assure you of my firm determination to accept and appreciate the high honor conferred upon me, by being again selected as your Candidate for the approaching Election.

I hear that a stranger and political aspirant has presented himself to you, and has endeavored to create excitement and *disunion* by insinuations prejudicial to my political influence, undoubtedly with the intention of making this Constituency a means of advancing his own private and ambitious views. I need not say that I do not entertain the slightest doubt of the integrity and good sense of my Fellow Townsmen on this occasion, and that they will maintain the good character which they have heretofore sustained for intelligence and loyalty.

My principles are well known to you all—I would only now repeat, (as the question of my religious views with regard to the University of Kings College has been profusely alledged against me with the view of prejudicing your minds,) what I before expressed to you, my sincere regard to all Christian denominations of Religion, and my *wish* that all should be placed upon an *equal* footing in the Public Institutions of the Province. This is, I believe, the policy and intention of the present Government, which is based upon the most wise and **LIBERAL** principles—and which, should you again honor me with your confidence, shall receive my most hearty support.

I remain, Gentlemen, your most obedient Servant,

L. LAWRASON.

London, October 21, 1844

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